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## **MEXICAN MARIJUANA TRAFFICKER SENTENCED**

### **PRESS RELEASE**

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that WILLIAM ARAGON, 27, Indianapolis, Indiana, and Gomez Faria, Mexico, was sentenced to 160 months imprisonment on Friday by U.S. District Judge Sarah E. Barker following his guilty plea to two counts of conspiracy to distribute marijuana. This case was the result of a six-month investigation conducted by the Drug Enforcement Administration, Federal Bureau of Investigation, ICE, Beech Grove Police Department, Indianapolis Police Department, Marion County Sheriff's Department.

From the spring of 2001 through August, 2004, ARAGON and his brother distributed approximately 43,000 pounds of marijuana in Indianapolis. ARAGON and his brother conducted their marijuana trafficking activity at a residential compound known as the "ranch," located in the

2800 block of West Minnesota Street, Indianapolis. ARAGON obtained his marijuana from sources in New Mexico, Colorado, and California.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Bradley A. Blackington, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Barker also imposed three years supervised release following ARAGON's release from imprisonment. Because ARAGON is an illegal alien, he will be deported from the United States following the completion of his sentence.

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